[*English*]

Increase in the Prices of Edible Oils

3670. SHRI PIUS TIRKEY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether prices of edible oils have gone up sharply in the year 1991-92 despite the exemption from duty in the Union budget;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to bring down the prices thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) Yes. Sir.

(b) The main factors contributing to the rise in prices of edible oils is general increase in money supply, general inflation coupled with gap between demand and supply because of limited import of edible oils on account of balance of payment constraints.

(c) Some of the steps taken by the Government to bring down the prices include granting of excise rebate on use of non-conventional oils in vanaspati, reduction of stock limits of edible oilseeds and oils by dealers/processors and manufacturers of all edible oils, permitting blending of conventional edible oils with non-conventional oils. The State Governments have also been asked to undertake strict action against hoarders, blackmarketeers in edible oilseeds and oils. Apart from this, Central Government has constituted a Cabinet Committee on Prices under the Chairmanship of Finance Minister for monitoring the prices of essential commodities and ensuring their supply. Edible oils have also been exempted from recent Railway freight hike proposed in the Railway Budget for 1991-92.

Per Capita Plan Investment in States

3671. DR. SUDHIR RAY: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state the per capita plan investment in each State and Union Territory during 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): A Statement is given below:

STATEMENT

Per Capita approved plan outlay under Annual Plans of States/UTs (1988-89 *to* 1990-91)

(*in Rs.*)

S.No.	*States/UTs*	*Annual Plan* 1988-89	*Annual Plan* 1989-90	*Annual Plan* 1990-91
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	233	243	247
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	1994	2373	2896
3.	Assam	338	352	374
4.	Bihar	229	257	258
5.	Goa	913	1091	1290
6.	Gujarat	374	411	426
7.	Haryana	464	523	542

(1) (2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
8. Himachal Pradesh	607	701	841
9. Jammu & Kashmir	752	869	1086
10. Karnataka	242	280	302
11. Kerala	196	207	249
12. Madhya Pradesh	326	353	383
13. Maharashtra	387	420	390
14. Manipur	862	999	1196
15. Meghalaya	973	1123	1310
16. Mizoram	1721	2065	2530
17. Nagaland	1419	1703	1871
18. Orissa	317	351	474
19. Punjab	417	470	539
20. Rajasthan	207	232	279
21. Sikkim	1994	2247	2405
22. Tamil Nadu	301	281	300
23. Tripura	701	813	974
24. Uttar Pradesh	229	253	289
25. West Bengal	174	204	243
TOTAL : States	291	318	347
Union Territories			
26. A & N Islands	3757	4233	5132
27. Chandigarh	1031	1139	1238
28. Dadra & Nagar Haveli	952	1063	1249
29. Daman & Diu	1519	1562	1592
30. Delhi	897	997	1286
31. Lakshadweep	4375	5250	5500
32. Pondicherry	911	1043	1159
TOTAL : UTs	1002	1117	1392
TOTAL : States & UTs	299	327	359

NOTE: Per Capita Plan Outlay figures are based on 1981 Population Census.

[*Translation*]

Fertilizer plant at Palwal, Haryana

3672. SHRI AVTAR SINGH BHADANA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government had given its concurrence for the setting up of a fertilizer plant at Palwal, Haryana the last year; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and when the Government propose to start this plant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS